



Board of Education

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President Eileen Kowalczyk called the Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education of June 20, 2019, to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Vicki Chung, Kimberly Fay, Jennifer Kobus, Brian Maye, Gerald McCluskey, Rachael Rothrauff, and Eileen Kowalczyk. Absent: None.

Communications

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NSSEO: Member Maye said the next meeting is Wednesday, June 26, when the member districts will vote on the 2019-20 NSSEO Budget that is under Consent Agenda for District 57 Board approval.

Education Foundation: No report.

PTO Reports: Member Kobus (Lions Park) reported on the PTO meeting and events at the school.

Board President's Report: President Kowalczyk

- Asked the Board to either sign up or think about what liaison position they wanted for next year and to sign up for examination of bills.
- Commented that the Board had talked in May about attending Village Trustee meetings. She said the Village does Committee of the Whole meetings and regular meetings. The regular meetings can be watched online. It was decided that Superintendent Aumiller would contact Mike Cassady of the Village before each meeting to check about items on the agenda that would concern District 57.
- Reminded the Board that if they can't attend a PTO meeting to send an email to the rest of the Board members to see if someone can cover for them.
- Informed the Board, if they need additional business cards, they should contact Virginia.
- Stated that the annual meeting with the MPEA is scheduled for August 6 at 10:00 a.m. at the administration building. She asked for two members who would be available to attend. It was decided that Members Maye and Rothrauff would attend.

Community Comments

President Kowalczyk explained that this was the first of two opportunities for community to address the Board. No one from the audience did so.

Staff Reports

Lincoln Middle School Math Minutes Presentation

Mr. Paul Suminski, Principal of Lincoln Middle School, presented a two-year follow up for the additional math minutes that started with the 2017-18 school year. Math classes changed from 41 to 76 minutes daily. ELA stayed blocked daily and SS/Science are now blocked every other day with a split block one day a week. PE, foreign language, broad experience, and lunch decreased from 41 to 38 minutes and 35 minutes on advisory days. He explained that they compared "Global" data comparing the eighth grade class from last year to this year's eighth grade class. They also compared "Vertical" or "Cohort" which is where data is compared from the same group across several years. The data showed that in most instances, the students' improvement was considerable. The fall cohort MAP data showed student average at 88%. He also shared PARCC data information. Mr. Suminski said teachers report successes in classes and are eagerly seeking out additional opportunities for enrichment, problem based learning, and differentiation. Mr. Suminski answered questions from the Board. Vice President Chung said it is so encouraging and appreciated Mr. Suminski's thoroughness. Superintendent Aumiller said it has been three years since Paul Suminski was hired and at that time she informed him about the change in schedule and possibility of additional math minutes. She said Paul Suminski and Randy Steen did a great job.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Aumiller

- Stated that there were two memos in the packet. The first one was about readiness indicators for District 214 and she said Cassie Black dug hard to get data from Prospect High School but they were disappointed with what they received. The second memo was an update on Fine Arts Curriculum Review. Ms. Black said Lincoln's performance is consistently in line with other districts that feed into Prospect High School.
- Said her goals were also in the packet and that her primary goals are derived from the District Strategic Plan Action Plans by which the Board conducts her annual evaluation. She said she needed consensus from the Board that these are her goals. The Board agreed with the goals.
- Reported on two FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) requests that the district received.
 - The first request was received on June 4, 2019, from Janie Jordan of Data Research Partners. She requested a list of employees including
 - 1) First and Last Name
 - 2) Email Address
 - 3) Title or Position
 - 4) Department or Location

We responded on June 5 and sent her the work information she requested for all employees.

- The second request was a commercial request received on June 7, 2019 from Bethany Simpson of SmartProcure. She requested for purchase orders dated February 6, 2019, to current:
 - 1) Purchase order number
 - 2) Purchase date
 - 3) Line item details
 - 4) Line item quantity
 - 5) Line item price
 - 6) Vendor ID number, name, address, contact person and their email address

We responded on June 13 and sent her two documents from Skyward that included the information she requested.

Consent Agenda

President Kowalczyk said it was not necessary to pull the Minutes from the Consent Agenda because all members were present at the May 16 meeting. She asked if anyone wanted any item removed but no one did. President Kowalczyk said she reviewed the bills and that everything was in order. She entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice President Chung moved, seconded by Member Maye, to approve the items of the Consent Agenda as follows

Item 1. Minutes of the May 16, 2019 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education – Open Session

Item 2. Personnel Transactions

Approve the administrative contract of the following employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Karl Anderson	Assistant Principal	Westbrook	8/1/17	\$85,000

Approve the employment of the following certified individuals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Maureen Beishir	Teacher–Grade 4	Lions Park	8/19/19	* \$53,777
Monique Maman	Social Worker	Lincoln	8/19/19	* \$51,428
Rebecca Radoszewski	Teacher–Grade 3	Lions Park	8/19/19	* \$56,197
Tara Stephens	Teacher–Grade 4	Lions Park	8/19/19	* \$45,038

*Salary includes Board paid TRS.

Accept the resignation of the following certified employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Melissa Chi	Teacher–Grade 1	Westbrook	8/1/19
Amy Roehl	Teacher–Speech/Language	Westbrook	8/1/19

Approve the change in status of the following ESP employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Brett Frey	From Purchasing and A/P to Payroll Specialist	Admin	5/20/19	\$16.00/hour

Approve the employment of the following ESP individuals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Matthew Cwynar	Purchasing and A/P	Admin	5/20/19	\$14.50/hour
Christopher Huene	Purchasing and A/P	Admin	6/3/19	\$14.50/hour

Accept the resignation of the following ESP employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Margaret Hindmand	Instructional Assistant	Fairview	5/24/19
Kathy Waldera	O/T (.6 FTE)	Westbrook	6/3/19

Approve the termination of the following ESP employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Timathi Szemplinski	Instructional Assistant	Lions Park	5/29/19

Approve the abandonment of the following ESP employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Matthew Cwynar	Purchasing and A/P	Admin	5/22/19

- Item 3. Financial Reports – May 2019
- Item 4. Accounts Payable Bills
- Item 5. Adopt Resolution 190620 Appoint School Treasurer
- Item 6. Adopt Resolution 190620A School Treasurer’s Bond
- Item 7. Approve NSSEO FY20 Budget
- Item 8. Approve the Consolidated District Plan

Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Chung, Fay, Kobus, Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Kowalczyk
 No: None Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Approve Resolution 190620B providing for the issue of not to exceed \$5,225,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding School Bonds, Series 2019, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

Mr. Adam Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, and Ms. Jennifer Currier, Vice President/Senior Quantitative Analyst of PMA Securities, LLC, presented an update to the refunding opportunity. They reviewed two scenarios that were presented to the Board at the May 16 meeting. They explained the savings to the district if the Board decided to take advantage of lower interest rates while not assuming more debt on the callable bonds. The first scenario, debt payments would be accelerated through 2023. In the second option, bond payments would be maintained through 2023. The second option would give the district future financing flexibility. Mr. Parisi said the timeline would be for the Board to approve one option that evening. He said the district administration was recommending the second scenario. He said in July, administration would deliver credit rating

presentation to S&P and would receive the credit rating late July or early August. On August 20 the bonds would be sold and they would close September 10. Mr. Parisi and Ms. Currier answered questions from the Board.

President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to approve the bond refunding. Member McCluskey moved, seconded by Member Maye, to approve Resolution 190620B providing for the issue of not to exceed \$5,225,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding School Bonds, Series 2019, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Fay, Kobus, Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Chung, Kowalczyk
No: None Motion carried.

Community Comments

President Kowalczyk said this was the second opportunity if anyone from the audience wished to address the Board but no one did.

Board Discussion

None

Closed Session

President Kowalczyk said there was need for Closed Session for the purpose of discussing

- Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property; and
- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

She said Board action would not take place following Closed Session and entertained a motion. Vice President Chung moved, seconded by Member Maye, to move into closed session. Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Kobus, Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Chung, Fay, Kowalczyk
No: None Motion carried and the Board convened into Closed Session at 8:05 p.m.

Regular Session

Vice President Chung made a motion, seconded by Member Maye, to return to open session. All members voted yes and the Board reconvened into open session at 8:50 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Maye made a motion, seconded by Member Rothrauff, to adjourn the meeting. All members voted yes and the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.


Virginia Webster, Secretary


Eileen B. Kowalczyk, President

Date of approval: July 18, 2019